

Hunter himself to describe an involved psychological process which is an important weapon in the Communist conquest.

Mr. Edward Hunter is with me here at this microphone now to describe the so-called Fulbright memorandum as that document relates to the Soviet-directed drive against effective anti-Communist teaching and organization. This distinguished author and world reporter has been our guest on a previous occasion. (Manion Forum Broadcast No 232) Mr. Hunter, welcome back to the Manion Forum.

Mr. HUNTER: Thank you, Dean Manion. What has become known as the Fulbright Memorandum was never intended to be made known to the public or to Government officials generally. Yet, it repudiates the basic conception of our form of Government, and its implementations would make us a dictatorship of a deceiving, slyly-sophisticated, self-proclaimed character.

To my knowledge, nothing so contemptible nor so dangerous has ever before been attempted in high places of the American Government. It would kidnap our free Government and subordinate it to the will of a small, self-considered elite who would act in the name of the people, whether the public liked it or not.

What distinguishes this coup d'etat is its subtlety and streamlined approach. It doesn't rely on anything so crude as proclaimed intentions and the seizure of Government offices physically. Instead, in accordance with the strategy of modern psychological warfare, it operates under cover, clandestinely, through word-of-mouth contact in high places among those who have the authority to put it into operation and have the cunningness to befuddle the uninformed by double talk and a politically pious jargon.

These are drastic statements, I know, but I know of no other way to present the ghastly truth about this maneuver that, through a streak of good fortune, became known outside the little circle for whom alone it was intended. The Fulbright memorandum was gotten up in the Foreign Relations Committee, without the knowledge of other members, and it was sent to the White House to be relayed to the Department of Defense for implementation.

This is the sort of operation, developed in World War II, that was technically known as black or gray because of its concealed nature, and it was for use against the enemy only. The target has now become the American press and public.

The document makes its philosophy plain. It is simply this: The nuclear age is assumed to have given rise to new, unprecedented problems that can be handled only by a few in the know. What they, out of their great wisdom, want done would be rejected by the public if given the opportunity to decide.

So, circumstances have to be created whereby interpretation of existing statutes, revision or abandonment of our traditions, and careful manipulation of press channels, will make it possible to put these decisions into effect anyway, with the appearance of national consent. This will be "voluntary" in form—in the conditioned reflex manner of the Pavlovian experiments with dogs and lights.

Whether Senator Fulbright realizes it or not, this is the Communist way, as prescribed by dialectical materialism, with Fascist arrogances added to it. It is Communism. Let us not be afraid to call a spade a spade on matters that determine our existence.

In the corridors of the Senate, it is said that Senator Fulbright doesn't really feel the way the memorandum more than implies. He hadn't realized it would become public, or he would have been more careful about the language used.

Instead of a simple test, it has been in a sense, that is, a test when the paper was disclosed by the so-called heroic efforts of Senator STUART THURMOND. This was a patriotic matter above sectionalism and I, as a northerner, find it significant that it was a southerner who brought it to the attention of the Nation. Sectionalism has moved to the North. I am afraid Senator Fulbright assumed a hurt pose and said he was shocked to hear the paper being referred to because it was only a "personal communication." Let me stress the quotation marks; those are his words.

DOCUMENT SHOULD HAVE BEEN RETURNED BY WHITE HOUSE TO FULBRIGHT

If such a document be a personal communication, then our Government indeed, is on the way to being circumvented and kidnaped. Frankly, it should have been returned to him by the White House. Our Executive Offices had no right to be a party, directly or indirectly, to any such subterfuge.

The document should not have been sent by the White House to that extremely capable organization man, Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara. If it is true that Senator Fulbright had already spoken with the Secretary of Defense, who had requested that the document be routed this way, it makes Mr. McNamara a conspirator too. On such a fundamental matter, what right had he to engage in circumlocution, circumventing the Congress, the press and the public?

The 13 minutes available to me for this talk do not allow time to read the Fulbright memorandum. Listeners should make a point of finding out all they can about it and the incident, for it is a glaring example of the softening up being attempted on the American public. This is a softening-up process whether our Fulbrights know it or not. Softening up is one of the two processes in brainwashing, the other being indoctrination.

The softening-up of the American people has been going on for some time now. The grassroots, anti-Communist movement, being fought so bitterly by a Moscow-directed, Red anti-Communist drive, is evidence that our people still retain their healthy instincts and their sense of right direction. These are under assault. If they can be sufficiently crippled, the conception of a guided democracy or a controlled society, as sought by the Fulbright memorandum, will have no effective opposition.

What we must realize is that the memorandum's implementation was begun at once by Mr. McNamara, as Secretary of Defense. His testimony before the Senate Armed Services Committee, where I was present, was full of evasions. These are harsh words, but again, on this basic issue, it would be inexcusable if I did not make myself plain.

Secretary McNamara has the responsibility of repudiating the Fulbright memorandum, specifically making it plain that it is not to be further used as a directive. He should rescind what actions were based on this secret document and return it to Senator Fulbright. The Congress, and especially the members of the Armed Services Committee, have the duty to insist upon this.

Senator Fulbright owes himself a self-examination, a procedure which the Reds have copied from us and perverted into a control mechanism. He should use it in the manner of our Christian heritage. If he does not believe what he put his name to, if he had been careless in his trust of collaborators or had been willing to turn over to others, for their political ends, the channels of government made available to him by his high eminent post, he should come out boldly and repudiate the document. He can do no less if he wishes to detach himself from its fundamentally un-American concepts.

Edward Hunter on Fulbright Memorandum

EXTENSION OF REMARKS OF

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MR. ROUSSELOT. Mr. Speaker, Dean Manion, a former dean of the School of Law at Notre Dame University, recently had Edward Hunter as a guest on his weekly radio program "The Manion Forum." Hunter, an expert on Communist brainwashing who has testified on several occasions before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, made some comments concerning the Fulbright Memorandum which I think should be brought to the attention of the Congress. Under unanimous consent, I include his comments in the Appendix of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

The article follows:

MR. EDWARD HUNTER—FULBRIGHT MEMORANDUM AN INSIDE JOB—WITH DISASTROUS POSSIBILITIES

DEAN MANION: Last July 11, in an executive session, the Internal Security Subcommittee of the United States Senate interviewed Mr. Edward Hunter. The subject discussed was the current drive to smear and discredit anti-Communism and anti-Communist organizations which had been ordered by the World Convention of Communist Parties in Moscow on December 5, 1960.

After this directive against anti-Communism was reiterated by the Soviet Communist Party on last July 29, the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee printed and released Mr. Hunter's testimony to the newspapers and to the public on August 27. This is a sensational document which every patriotic American should read carefully and critically.

As a witness, Edward Hunter, has been a successful foreign correspondent for American papers for 40 years. His special assignment has been "Communist propaganda," a phrase coined by Mr.